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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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| 5 | In re Application of: Stewart, et al. |) | Group Art Unit: 3739 |
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| | Application No.: 10/054,477 |) | Examiner: Kasztejna, Matthew John |
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| 10 | Filing Date: January 18, 2002 |) | |
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| | For: VESSEL HARVESTING APPARATUS |) | |
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Mail Stop Amendment
 Commissioner for Patents
 15 P.O. Box 1450
 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in thirteen (13) pages responsive to the Office Action dated October 5, 2005 in the above-identified application. Also attached are:

20 (X) A set of REPLACEMENT DRAWINGS in 22 pages
 (X) Applicants hereby petition for a One (1) Month Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136
 (X) Credit card authorization form for the fees shown below (1 page)

| | Claims Remaining <u>After Amendment</u> | <u>Minus</u> | (Col. 1) Highest Prev. <u>Paid For</u> | <u>Extra</u> | <u>Rate</u> | (Col. 2) Present | <u>Fee</u> |
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| | | | | | | | |
| Total Claims | 36 | - | 83 | = | 0 x | 50 | \$ 0 |
| Indep Claims | 2 | - | 13 | = | 0 x | 200 | \$ 0 |
| 30 One (1) Month Extension of Time Fee - Rule 17(a)(1) | | | | | | | \$ 120 |
| | | | | | | TOTAL DUE | = \$ 120 |

Respectfully submitted,

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